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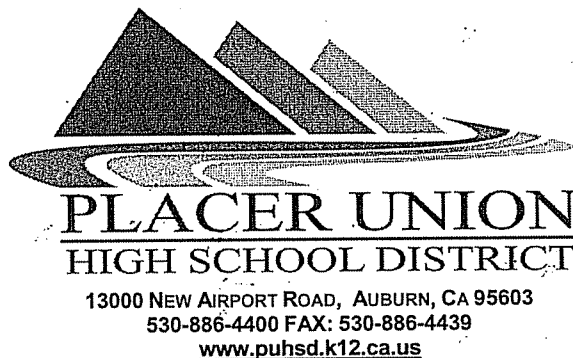
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Comments regarding: FCC DA 16-1051, September 19 2016, CC Docket No. 02-6; WC Docket 10-90; WC Docket No. 13-184 WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON PETITIONS REGARDING OFF-CAMPUS USE OF EXISTING E-RATE SUPPORTED CONNECTIVITY


To Whom it May Concern:

Placer Union High School District applauds and categorically endorses the FCC's consideration of the above-referenced petitions to allow district-provided and E-rate-subsidized network connectivity to be accessed by students at home for educational purposes, without creating an obligation on the applicant to cost allocate out the portion of the traffic attributable to off-campus use.

Digital and networked content and resources are instrumental to powerful and effective instruction. Our district employs a broad range of applications and systems that empower our students to learn, engage, innovate, create and collaborate within the classroom. However, the realized impact of these tools is significantly diminished by a lack of ubiquitous access to the Internet at home - the so-called "digital divide", in many cases exacerbating social, environmental and economic disparities already widespread across our student population. In this regard, equitable access to the Internet is essential to our ability to effectively prepare students for college, careers, and productive contribution to the community.

The district continuously seeks opportunities to engage students in learning beyond the confines of our campuses and defined school hours. The changes proposed by the petitioners in the above-referenced dockets would support and expand our capacity to fulfill this objective. We urge the Bureau and Commission to approve these requests.

Thank you,



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